Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of George Boldt, and we are richer because George lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, George was born in South Dakota on August 17, 1921, and enlisted in the United States Army in 1942; and,

Whereas, In the course of one of George's missions over in Germany during World War II, he was shot down and was taken as a prisoner of war and remained a prisoner for almost a year; and,

Whereas, George represents all that was exceptional and was raised during challenging times and lived through the Great Depression, and he and his wife, Josephine, raised two sons; and,

Whereas, George committed his life to serving South Dakota's veterans by joining the American Legion and serving as a leader and officer within the organization; and,

Whereas, George will observe his 95th birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 17, 2016, as

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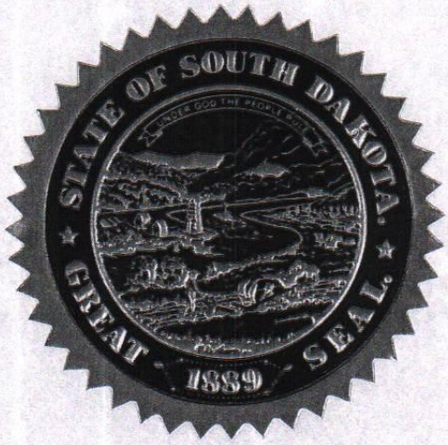
in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him a happy 95th birthday and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Teresa J Bray, Deputy Secretary

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State